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Rini Ghosh
Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit
Washington, D.C. 20423

received
7/24/06

Dear Ms. Ghosh:

FD 34284

My family has been a part of Medina County for 86 years. This is family land. Most of us are life-long residents. We have been here a long time and appreciate the people who are our neighbors and the farmers who make a living nearby.

I am aware of the proposed routes for the rail line from Vulcan's planned rock quarry to Dunlay. Compared to using trucks, I am in favor of rail being used to haul rock. The rail line should be direct and the most sensible. It should cross as few streams, roads, and farms as possible. The recent three alternatives that run east and near CR 366 are the worst choices. The direct routes are the reasonable choices.

I am absolutely in favor of Vulcan's original route or their alternatives that run near that route. Please do not approve the recent alternative routes that run farther east. Please approve the routes that are most direct for the sake of safety, the environment, and the farming community.

Please understand the impact that this eastward alternative would have on the farming community. Cutting through this farmland would negatively impact upon these families abilities to earn a living.

Sincerely,



Dorothy Masters